



## MONTANA STATE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET

**Meeting Date:** October 15, 2014

**Agenda Item:** Parks Capital Projects - 2015 Legislative Session

**Division:** Parks

**Action Needed:** Informational

**Time Needed on Agenda for this Presentation:** 10 min.

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### Background:

Each Legislative Session funding is provided via the HB 5 process for capital improvements at State Parks sites throughout Montana. The anticipated Parks funding from the 2015 Legislative Session is expected to be;

\$70,800	Boat-In-Lieu	\$2,000,000	Highway Fuel
\$696,000	Parks 'Big Four'	\$1,300,000	Federal MBDJ

Parks capital projects planned for the upcoming biennium include;

• Logan SP – dock replacement/upgrade; electrification of the campground.	\$400,000
• Hell Creek SP – campsite reconfiguration; site upgrades.	\$1,500,000
• Madison Buffalo Jump SP – install access road to the upper viewing area.	\$75,000
• Finley Point SP – campsite reconfiguration, replace latrines; road improvements.	\$1,000,000
• Cooney State Park – access road upgrades.	\$500,000
• Park Major Maintenance Projects – two year's cycle.	<u>\$500,000</u>
	\$3,975,000

Note that the projects planned include those which will utilize the available Highway Fuel and Federal MBDJ funds. These funding sources are expected to be \$3.3 million. It is anticipated that the balance of the unallocated capital appropriation will be utilized on misc. project needs that occur, construction contingency, and similar uses.

### Public Involvement Process & Results:

With the exception of the pending future Parks Major Maintenance projects, each of the proposed capital projects will go through a separate Environmental Assessment (EA) and public involvement process. The majority of the annual Parks MM projects selected are typically excluded from the public comment process due to the routine nature of the work.

**Alternatives and Analysis:** N/A

**Agency Recommendation and Rationale:** N/A

### Proposed Motion:

This is an informational item to provide awareness and update the Board on the Parks Capital program. No Board action is required.